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Name: Celyn OakmanCommissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450AMENDMENT & RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2004, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.